

MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS

It is very important to annually check the door's finish for fading and cracking to verify that moisture is prevented from reaching the wood surface. Refinishing requirements will vary with exposure and climatic conditions. **We recommend an additional coat of finish every one to two years for south and west exposed doors and two to three years for north and east-facing doors.** Proper maintenance will prevent flaking and peeling conditions that would require extensive preparation before re-coating.

- **FOR DESIGNER PRODUCTS, LLC FACTORY STAIN FINISH** – Our factory stain finish is a water-based finish that has superior UV blocking nano particulates. It is important to maintain the integrity of this coating film. To prep the door for maintenance, it is important to clean the door first with water and neutral detergents. **Cleaning products containing acids or ammonia must be avoided, as they will attack the coating film and destroy it.** Allow the door to dry completely and inspect the doors for any signs of weathering and cracking.
 - **Renewal** – If after cleaning and inspection, the coating film seems to be in good condition (no cracking), the UV blocking surface can be renewed by wiping on the Rejuvenator TN030 with a soft cloth. This will restore the layer of nanoparticles that protect the wood.
 - **Partial Restoration** – If the coating film shows signs of cracking, it is necessary to restore the integrity of the coating film by lightly sanding the area with grit 320 sandpaper and brushing on Restoration TN030 to the damaged area only.

- **FOR SIKKENS PROLUXE FINISH** - A simple re-coating of a door would require washing the surface with a mixture of 2 oz. TSP (Tri-Sodium Phosphate), 1 qt. bleach, and 3 quarts of water, and non-abrasive brush, followed with a thorough rinsing. Allow ample time to dry before re-coating. Remember to remove the rubber astragal and retainer on the bottom of the door and ensure that you apply a generous amount of finishing to that area as this will protect from rot. During this maintenance, you will also need to re-apply the clear DAP acrylic caulking to any water pooling areas (see diagrams in Caulking Instruction Details). **Sikkens ProLuxe Support:** For brochures and technical support for your painting professional, please call Sikkens direct at (866) 745-5367. Sikkens website is <http://www.perfectwoodstains.com>.
 - **You can purchase the Rejuvenator TN030 by calling Designer Products, LLC, at 800-421-0525.**